

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5202**

Chapter 379, Laws of 2007

60th Legislature  
2007 Regular Session

LAW ENFORCEMENT--PERMISSIBLE WEAPONRY

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/22/07

Passed by the Senate April 17, 2007  
YEAS 49 NAYS 0

BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 4, 2007  
YEAS 93 NAYS 2

FRANK CHOPP

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Approved May 8, 2007, 4:28 p.m.

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE  
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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5202** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

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**Secretary**

FILED

May 10, 2007

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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**By** Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Delvin, Eide, Hewitt, Brandland, Pridemore, Holmquist, McCaslin, Haugen, Jacobsen, Honeyford, Rasmussen and Roach)

READ FIRST TIME 02/15/07.

1            AN ACT Relating to permissible weaponry for on-duty law enforcement  
2 officers; and amending RCW 9.41.250.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.41.250 and 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 424 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6            (1) Every person who:

7            ~~((1))~~ (a) Manufactures, sells, or disposes of or possesses any  
8 instrument or weapon of the kind usually known as slung shot, sand  
9 club, or metal knuckles, or spring blade knife, or any knife the blade  
10 of which is automatically released by a spring mechanism or other  
11 mechanical device, or any knife having a blade which opens, or falls,  
12 or is ejected into position by the force of gravity, or by an outward,  
13 downward, or centrifugal thrust or movement;

14            ~~((2))~~ (b) Furtively carries with intent to conceal any dagger,  
15 dirk, pistol, or other dangerous weapon; or

16            ~~((3))~~ (c) Uses any contrivance or device for suppressing the  
17 noise of any firearm,  
18 is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

19            (2) Subsection (1)(a) of this section does not apply to:

1       (a) The possession of a spring blade knife by a law enforcement  
2 officer while the officer:

3       (i) Is on official duty; or

4       (ii) Is transporting the knife to or from the place where the knife  
5 is stored when the officer is not on official duty; or

6       (b) The storage of a spring blade knife by a law enforcement  
7 officer.

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